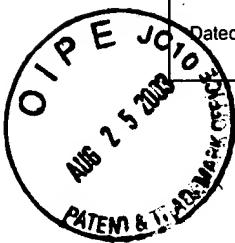


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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This submission is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed April 23, 2003 (Paper No. 21), setting a time to expire on July 23, 2003. As this amendment is filed on August 22, 2003, a petition for an extension of time of one month is required. Claims 29, 30, 32, 44, 45, 50, 51, 56 and 57 stand rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection and the following claim amendments and remarks are offered in response.
Reconsideration is respectfully requested.